sources the traditional chulehas are expected to be replaced by Improved Chullhas in a phased manner.

Drilling and exploration work by ONGC at Pasarlapudi and Draksharaman

136. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR:
SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the drilling and exploration work undertaken by ONGC at Pasarlapudi in Krishna Godavary basin and Draksharaman in Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) the amount already spent on these projects separately and the results of drilling operations achieved in each case?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) *Pasarlapudi area*: CDP sismic, Gravity Magnetic Geochemical surveys have been conducted during 1977-79 and 1983-87 in Pasarlapudi area Exploratory location Pasarlapudi I was also drilled to a depth of 3504 m.

Draksharaman area: In this area also CDP sismic Gravity Magnetic and Geochemical work was carried out during 1977-80 and 1982-85. The exploratory location Draksharaman I was drilled to a depth of 3145 m.

(b) The information is as under:

Well	Drilling cost (Rs. crores)	Result
Pasarlapudi	9.38	On initial testing the well produced gas at the rate of 1698055 cubic meters and condensate 77 barrel per day.
Draksharaman-I	3.76	Proved dry.

Exploration of Oil and Natural Gas in Rayalaseema region

137. SHRI GOPALA RAO RAO: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the efforts so far made by ONGC in the Rayalaseema region of Andhra Pradesh for exploration of Oil and Natural Gas;

(b) whether there are any indications of presence of oil and natural gas reserves in this region; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) ONGC has not made any exploratory effort in Rayalaseema region of Andhra Pradesh as the region is not considered prospective for hydrocarbon generation.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Report on the burning of gas in Bombay harbour

138. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Shri D.R. Prasad the then Chairman of the ONGC submitted a report in 1978 on the daily burning of 10 lakh c.f. gas in Bombay harbour;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Committee headed by Secretary Lovraj Kumar was constituted to consider the report;

(c) if so, what were the recommendations of that Committee; and

(d) which of the recommendations have been implemented so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) No such report on the daily burning of 10 lakh c.f. gas in Bombay harbour is available on the records.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Gas agencies

139. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons or parties to whom gas agencies have been given in the country, State-wise, during the last two years;

(b) the number of persons who have been permitted to run petrol pumps in the country, State-wise during the same period; and

(c) the rate of commission paid to these persons/parties?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) The required information is given in Statement-I.

(b) The number of retail outlet dealerships awarded by the oil marketing companies in the country, State-wise, during 1985-86 and 1986-87 is given in Statement-II.

(c) Presently the rates of commission paid to LPG distributors and petrol/HSD dealers are as under:

LPG : 14.2 Kg. Cylinder : Rs. 5.30 per cylinder

50.0 Kg. Cylinder : Rs. 17.66 per cylinder

Petrol/HSD :

Slab	Sales Volume in Kl. per Annum		MS Rs./Kl	HSD Rs./Kl
I Slab	0	360	151	84
II Slab	361	600	113	63
III Slab	601	1080	99	45
IV Slab	Over	1080	79	39